

MISSION STATEMENT

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With a great deal of joy and thanksgiving,

Springfield/Eugene Habitat for Humanity celebrated with the Wilson/Bishop family at the groundbreaking on March 6th. Habitat for Humanity Oregon designated the home as the 1,000th Home built by Habitat affiliates in Oregon. The home is also designated an Apostles Build home being sponsored and built by 6 area churches, with financial sponsorship from the City of Springfield, the Chambers Family Foundation and others. Todd Wilson, Crystal Bishop and their 2 children are thrilled to have the home started and have graciously shared their passion for the build with the

1,000TH HOME UNDERWAY: BEING BUILT AS APOSTLES BUILD BY AREA CHURCHES

Financial for Lutherans house for the Ambrose

sponsors, television audiences, home show attendees, and others.

The six churches spearheading the build are Calvary Fellowship, Central Presbyterian, Coburg United Methodist, Emerald Baptist, First United Methodist, and Wesley United Methodist. They have taken on the task of being the primary volunteer builders, as well as providing the majority of meals for the hungry crews. Habitat regulars (volunteers coming out nearly every build day) and a few other groups and individuals provide additional labor and skills for the build.



The Wilson/Bishop family breaks ground.

Steve Price has graciously agreed to be our site supervisor overseeing day-to-day construction on the build. Steve most recently was site supervisor for the Thrivent

Family and led work crews in preparing our new ReStore for opening. Build days are Thursday, Friday, and Saturday each week.

The Habitat for Humanity vision sprung to life in Oregon 25 years ago and has spread to include 33 affiliates around the state. Oregon affiliates have committed ourselves to building the next 1,000 homes over the next decade. Springfield/Eugene HFH began its quest to meet affordable housing needs 20 years ago. The 1,000th home is our affiliate's 44th.

We are honored and grateful for the tremendous support received throughout the community for Habitat's mission. With the ever present need greater than we have been able to address to date, we ask your continued support as we work to expand our efforts. We welcome your inquiries and input about how you can help, about where our greatest need lies, and how we can better address the community need. We hope to hear from you soon.

MLK Day Project

On January 18, 2010, Springfield/Eugene Habitat for Humanity hosted a Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Project, entitled "Habitat ReStore Prep and Neighborhood Cleanup".

S/E HFH's VISTA: ReStore Development Coordinator, Penny Parks, was the driving force behind coordinating and planning the MLK Day Project.

Volunteers met at the affiliate's location at 1210 Oak Patch Road in Eugene; throughout the day 180 volunteers worked a combined total of 516 hours on various projects. Projects included: interior painting at the affiliate, grounds maintenance (including pull-

ing out four dead stumps), removed slats from a large chain-link fence surrounding our parking lot, cleaned and packaged approximately one-half ton of donated tile, cleaned existing shelving and added shelves to our commercial racking.

Volunteers conducted a neighborhood litter patrol that extended approximately three blocks in all direction. We also had a computer/electronic recycling non-profit (Next Step Recycling) participating in the day of service with us. Volunteers at Next Step Recycling, cleaned, primed and painted their public restroom, and dismantled 2000 pounds of computer printers.

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News from the Board President

First, I have to let you know how incredibly grateful I am for the thousands of volunteers who keep Habitat and our mission alive and well. Building decent affordable homes takes an entire community of people who care and we are all very fortunate to live in just that place.

As expected, the first quarter was filled with many things for our affiliate to be thankful for. The community support of all our projects has been unbelievable. Here are a few highlights:

- ☆ We had the groundbreaking ceremony at Meyer Estates on the Bishop/Wilson home, for Habitat's 1,000th Home build. We had a great turnout, thanks to all who attended.
- ☆ The board approved two future home owner's into the Habitat family. Let the fun begin!
- ☆ We have successfully opened the doors of our new ReStore located at 1210 Oak Patch Rd, in Eugene. Many thanks to all the volunteers! It

is truly amazing how much we have all accomplished. **Now it's**

time to get the word out!

- ☆ The Second Annual "Willamette Valley Blues and Brews Festival" is in the planning stages with a line-up of great musicians to soon be announced. Save the dates August 6th and 7th. **You won't want to miss it!**
- ☆ Lisa DaHass is organizing a Women's Build for our affiliate. **I'm thinking the men can serve lunch.** It will probably be the best house yet.

I think it's important to recognize the board of directors for all the work they do, both publicly and behind the scenes. Don Griffin, Executive Director, and his entire staff are the glue that holds everything together. And to the countless others who volunteer in one way or another every day, I say THANKS and keep it up! 2010 will be a banner year!

—Dan LaCoste, Board President

HOME SHOWS January & March 2010

We had a successful turnout of visitors to our booth at the Good Earth Home, Garden & Living Show in January, where over 130 people signed up to help us in one way or another.

We had an incredible booth display at the March show due to the care and creativity of ReStore volun-

teers and ReStore director, Tim Armstrong. The booth had samples of items the ReStore will have for sale, including one of our lovely hand tiled patio tables which was sold at the home show.

Special thanks to the Berg family for donating space to us at the home show's and making it possible for us to get our message out.



**Willamette Valley
Blues & Brews Festival**

S/E Habitat for Humanity is proud to announce that the 2010 Willamette Valley Blues & Brews Festival will be held Friday, August 6th, and Saturday, August 7th at beautiful Island Park in Springfield, Oregon. This year's performers will include Friday's headliner, Curtis Salgado and Saturday's headliner, Chris Cain. Please visit www.wvbbf.org for lots more information, including several volunteer opportunities available should you wish to join our effort.

Come and enjoy a great time with over 40 brews to sample, 30 craft/non-profit booths to browse, and lots of food vendors to keep you satisfied. Lounge in the large grass bowl

for our Main Stage acts, or sip a brew listening to our new Acoustic Stage in the Beer Garden. Of course all ages are welcome and the Kate Darden Memorial KidZONE will be open from noon – 6pm Saturday with lots of entertainment geared toward our younger Habitat friends.

If you attended 2009's event, you know that this signature event has a significant, positive impact on our efforts to eliminate poverty housing in our service area and our contributions of tons of food to FOOD for Lane County. Check our website for continuing updates and we'll see you down by the Willamette River the first weekend of August!!

Jordan Home Dedication Set for April 10

Lisa Jordan and her 3 children are joyfully immersed in planning for their move into their new home at 4868 A Street in Springfield. Friends and supporters of Habitat are invited to join the Jordan family at the dedication ceremony for their home on April 10, 2010 at 11:00 am. The house is sponsored by Bank of America and we are thrilled to be so close to the most exciting and rewarding part of the build – the dedication ceremony including the presentation of keys to the family. It is the fourth home in Meyer Estates, Habitat's 10-home development at 49th and A Streets, and the 43rd house built by Springfield/Eugene Habitat.

Under the volunteer leadership of site supervisor, Lamoine Savage many volunteers, family members, and family friends have engaged in building the home over the past 7 months.

The Jordan family has contributed over 400 hours of sweat equity to the building of their home and the homes of other Partner Families, in attending homeowner education classes, and in supporting the work of Habitat. Lisa has consistently dedicated her days off work, to helping with the build.



Join Bank of America representatives, Habitat board members, friends, volunteers, and the Jordan Family in this memorable and transforming milestone.

From the Executive Director's Chair



It's been really exciting, gratifying, and at times nerve racking, to be truthful, to see the hustle and bustle around our offices with the final push to get the ReStore open, get the 1,000th Home Build underway, prepare for another dedication ceremony, and myriad other events and activities. We remain extremely grateful to our volunteers, house sponsors, board members, staff, visionaries from past years, and tons of friends for their faith and trust in Habitat.

Senator Merkley and Mayor Piercy graced with their involvement at the

ReStore Ribbon Cutting

on March 19th with very kind and supportive remarks. It was great fun to have folks gather on a beautiful day to share in our opening.

It's now time to move forward in working on the 1,000th home, planning our next build, poised to be a Women Build, and continue celebrating our 20th year.

I continue to be inspired by our mission, the commitment and dedication of our volunteers at all levels, and the wonderful partner families. To all those helping with the recovery in Haiti and Chile, you have my deep appreciation and prayers. We are currently collecting funds to help meet Habitat for

Humanity International's affiliate challenge to raise funds supporting the work in Haiti. If you would like to donate to assist in this effort, please send payment to us at 1210 Oak Patch Rd, Eugene, 97402 or call the office of other information on giving.

Thank you for joining with other dedicated volunteers in helping Springfield/Eugene Habitat for Humanity improve the quality of life for the whole community by serving in partnership with those in need of basic, decent, affordable housing.



— Don Griffin
Executive Director

BUILDING TOGETHER Take action: Join Women Build

Humanity International and will offer in-store training workshops throughout the building

On May 6, 2010, the Habitat for Humanity Springfield/Eugene affiliate will break ground on a **Women Build**. Each May, HFH International, dedicates the week leading up to Mother's Day as National Women Build Week. House number six in Meyer Estates, our ten-unit housing development in Springfield, will be a **Women Build**. It has been 10 years since this affiliate has built a **Women Build** home and we are excited about the committed volunteers and sponsors who will actively address the problem of children in substandard housing, and become part of the solution.

Women Build is not about excluding men; it's about including women, opening new doors of opportunity and serving more families. Men are often involved in our training programs and build projects in supportive roles and as subcontractors when women from the necessary trades are not available. Our volunteers serve alongside Habitat's partner families and to date, 1,400 Women Build houses have been built.

Lowe's is a national partner of Habitat for

period. These "How-To" clinics are for volunteers and homeowners.

We are bringing women together to let them discover, for themselves, that they can build Habitat homes and move families out of unacceptable living conditions. Springfield/Eugene HFH challenges all women across our area to become involved in building a better community for all.

If you are interested in volunteering on the Women Build, please contact the Volunteer Coordinator, Vikki Stea, at 541-741-1707. To donate to the Women Build, please send your check or money order to Springfield/Eugene Habitat for Humanity, 1210 Oak Patch Rd., Eugene, OR 97402 Attn: Women Build. Additional questions can be addressed to Lisa DeHaas (541-344-3070).

"For a community to be whole and healthy, it must be based on people's love and concern for each other."

—Millard Fuller, founder of Habitat for Humanity.

Schnitzer Steel Donates \$5,000!

Chris Gerlitz from Schnitzer Steel presents a \$5,000 donation to Habitat's executive director, Don Griffin. The funds help defray the cost of the ReStore truck used to pick up donated building materials, supplies, and related items for sale in the ReStore. Habitat is honored to have Schnitzer Steel as a partner in making the ReStore a success.



Photo by Kenny Eiler

KIDS CAN HELP TOO

On Saturday March 13th we had a table at the Gateway Mall for their 20th anniversary. Kids at the event were feted with face painting, balloons and gift bags. S/E Habitat attracted dozens of young artists to draw colorful pictures of homes and families on postcards. They then donated their wonderful art to us. We would love to have other kids make art postcards for us. If you have a group of kids who would like to do this, let us know. Contact Vikki@sehabitat.org.



Samples of the wonderful postcards from the Gateway Mall event.



Help us make it happen!

Habitat for Humanity

builds more than houses- -

it builds families, communities and lives.



Springfield/Eugene

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Every gift to Habitat is a testament to the caring and unselfish spirit of Habitat supporters who choose this way to make a difference in the world they live in. Yes, I would like to help Springfield/Eugene Habitat for Humanity build another house!

___ Here is my pledge of \$ _____ per month for _____ months.

___ Here is my one-time gift of \$ _____.

___ Here is at least \$100 to join the “**600 Club**” (600 people pledging \$100 each, to help fulfill our mission!)

___ I would like to make an **alternative gift or memorial gift** by making a donation to Springfield/Eugene Habitat for Humanity. Please send a gift card to the following address:

___ I would like to sign up for electronic funds transfer; please send me information.

Donate by credit card on-line through our website link, www.sehabitat.org and 100% of your donation comes to us.

Check here ___ if you do not wish to be thanked publicly (in a newsletter, other publication, etc.) for your donation. This selection applies to all donations unless you authorize otherwise.

To: Name _____

Address _____ Zip _____

Holiday/Occasion to be celebrated _____

From: Your Name _____

Address _____ Zip _____

Email Address _____ Phone _____

Please make checks payable to: S/E HFH. All donations are tax deductible as permitted by law. S/E HFH tithes on all unrestricted contributions to build homes in Nicaragua, helping end poverty housing around the world.

Volunteer Highlights:

For over two months we’ve had wonderful volunteers coming in regularly making calls to everyone in our database. We have changed our interest form to add volunteer opportunities in the ReStore and we wanted to make sure people who have been with us for awhile had a chance to update their information and interests. Thank you to those of you who responded and called back. Special thanks to Jeannie Barclay and Susan Connley who work many hours every week to make Habitat run more smoothly.

Volunteer Opportunities: We need volunteers willing to help on a regular basis in the following areas: **1) Data Entry and phone calling , 2)Front lobby reception and answering telephones 3) Pick up and deliver lunches to our build site.** If you’re interested in any of these volunteer positions, call Vikki at 541-741-7107.

LOCAL RESTAURANTS SUPPORT HABITAT

Several local restaurants have been regularly donating lunches to volunteers working at the build site. These restaurants include: Monroe St. Café at 1123 Monroe, Eugene; Chipotle’s Mexican Grill at 460 Coburg Rd, Eugene; Domino’s Pizza at 1135 Mohawk Blvd, Springfield; and Café Yumm! at the RiverBend Hospital site.

A HUGE THANK YOU to all the restaurants that have been making lunchtime such a treat for our hard working volunteers at the build site.

VOLUNTEERING AT THE BUILD SITE

We broke ground on a new home March 6th and volunteers from sponsoring churches are poised to start building. Many of our regular volunteers would also like to get out to the build site and we know that it can be discouraging if there do not seem to be many opportunities.

The surest way to make more opportunities is to build more houses. You can help in this process by making our ReStore a success by volunteering or shopping there. Other ways that you can help create more house building opportunities is to raise funds for us or find

sponsors for houses. Sponsors can be individuals, churches, businesses, banks, etc. When we are building two or more houses at a time, we can open the door to volunteers coming out and turn the home ownership dream of a family into a reality.

Please call Vikki at the Habitat Office each week to learn what building activities are taking place at the site and to let her know that you want to go out that week. Build days for the new house will be Thursday, Friday, and Saturday.



THE RESTORE’S ENERGY EFFICIENT LIGHTING SYSTEM WILL BE FEATURED IN EWEB NEWSLETTER

The Springfield/Eugene Habitat for Humanity ReStore will be the feature article of Eugene Water and Electric Board’s (EWEB) April newsletter. The article will focus on the energy efficient lighting used by the ReStore. The EWEB newsletter reaches over 7,000 readers.

The Habitat ReStore opened its door for business in March, selling donated new and used building materials at affordable prices. The ReStore is located in a warehouse formerly occupied by a sign and awning company, which we’ve developed into a very comfortable and bright retail store. The Springfield/Eugene Habitat for Humanity affiliate administrative offices are also located in the building on Oak Patch Road just off of West 11th in Eugene.



PHOTO COURTESY HHCLICK

One of the major challenges in developing the dark 22,000 square foot warehouse into an inviting retail store was installing adequate

lighting. To accomplish this, the ReStore used high performance natural light bulbs and fixtures. An advantage of the new lighting fixtures is that they reduce lighting power. Because of this, the facility uses about half the energy on lighting as a typical new building of the same size and, yet, is brightly lit.

The previous occupant of the Restore facility participated in Eugene Water and Electric Board’s (EWEB) Efficient Equipment Program and had installed an efficient heating and cooling system in the office area. This was a great foundation to the ReStore’s efforts to make the building environmentally

friendly.

Involved early in the store’s setup process, EWEB Energy Management Services assisted in the ReStore’s energy-efficiency lighting program, an important aspect for the overall design. Even though is in an older building, it now meets current lighting requirements of the Oregon Building Code.

ReStore Director Tim Armstrong says, “It isn’t easy to make an existing 22,000 square foot warehouse carbon neutral, but the ReStore is committed to constantly and consistently taking steps in that direction.”

Thanks to a financial incentive from EWEB, the ReStore was able to install an energy efficient lighting system, retrofitted with new lamps and



PHOTO COURTESY HHCLICK

electronic ballasts that meet EWEB’s High Performance Lighting Specifications and implement design plans to maximize existing light.

The ReStore uses white or light colored surfaces to create light reflection and reduce the need for extra lighting fixtures. Other factors contributing to the Restore’s lighting efforts include making aisles wide, keeping merchandise close to the ground and choosing not to paint the concrete floors a darker color. The all new fixtures are equipped with the latest generation of high performance fluorescent technology and feature sensors to minimize wasted illumination.

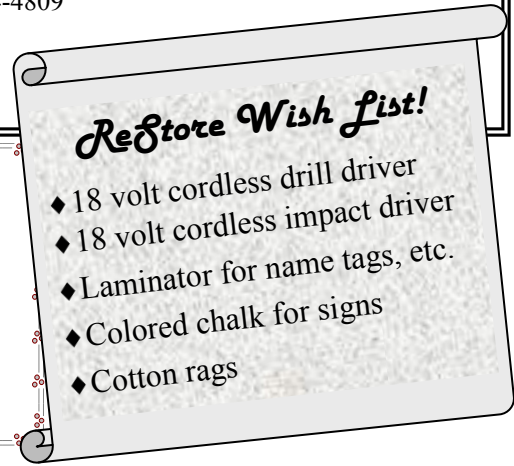
To learn more, or to volunteer at the ReStore, please call 541-344-4809.

The ReStore is located at 12 10 Oak Patch Road – Oak Patch Road and West 11th

ReStore Hours: Tuesday through Saturday 10 am to 6 pm

Donation Hours: Monday through Saturday 9 am to 5 pm

Phone: 541-344-4809



ReStore Wish List!

- ◆ 18 volt cordless drill driver
- ◆ 18 volt cordless impact driver
- ◆ Laminator for name tags, etc.
- ◆ Colored chalk for signs
- ◆ Cotton rags

Join Springfield/Eugene Habitat for Humanity and the Habitat ReStore in helping victims of the Haiti earthquake.

Go to www.sehabitat.org and join the ReStore Haiti Relief Team. Click on the ReStore logo to help.



Car donations can help a family in your community build a house and the hope of a better life!

By donating a car to Habitat's Cars for Homes™ vehicle donation program,

you help Springfield/Eugene Habitat for Humanity build and rehabilitate houses in partnership with families in need of a hand up, not a hand out.

It is quick and easy to recycle your used cars, trucks, boats, RVs, motorcycles, construction equipment or other vehicles—

running or not! Plus, you may be eligible for a tax deduction if you itemize. (Consult the IRS or your tax advisor for details.)

**Donate a car, truck, boat or RV to Cars for Homes™ — Habitat's official car donation program.
Call (877) 277-4344**

Homeowner Applications Being Accepted

The Family Selection Committee is accepting applications to become Habitat homeowners. Families are needed for two 2-bedroom homes in Meyer Estates, Habitat's 10-house development at 49th and A Streets in Springfield.

Applicants are selected based on 3 criteria: Need, Willingness to Partner, and Ability to Pay. Need includes determination of the

need for housing and the applicant's income. Factors such as substandard conditions, overcrowding, or paying more than 30% of one's income for housing are considered. Persons/families with income levels from 30% - 60% of the area median income, adjusted for family size, are eligible. Willingness to Partner is most prominently reflected through the sweat equity requirement of 400 hours for a one-adult

family and 500 hours for a family with two or more adults who will live in the house. Ability to Pay is a combination of credit history/debt load and income stability. Additionally, applicants must currently live in our service area or have worked in it for at least a year, and be a citizen or legal resident of the US.

Contact our office at 741-1707 for application orientation schedules and additional information.

Habitat for Humanity International affiliates around the world have built more than 350,000 homes in over 3,000 communities, housing over 1.7 million people in about 90 countries. Habitat for Humanity believes all God's people deserve a safe, decent, affordable place to live. What a powerful way to express love for our neighbors!



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